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**Mail Stop RCE**

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**EXAMINING GROUP NO. 3728**

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

This paper is submitted as a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and in response to a pending final Office action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 1, 2006.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments, reconsideration and withdrawal of all grounds of rejection, and passage of the claims to allowance.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows, without prejudice:

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims that begins on page 2 of this Amendment and Response.
- Remarks begin on page 7 of this Amendment and Response.